

Teachers' Union Asks Gov't To Reject Guri Findings

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut-affiliated Teachers' Union has asked the Government not to approve the findings of the Guri report on salaries and working conditions. It has also decided to call on the Education Ministry to enter into negotiations with it, following the failure of the Guri Committee to satisfy the teachers' demands. This was announced on Sunday by the Secretary of the Union, Mr. Shalom Levin.

After analyzing the Guri Committee's findings and rejecting its report, Mr. Levin regretted that it did not offer a workable plan for reducing the number of pupils per class, nor offer a way to reduce the difference between the salaries of engineers, nurses and social workers on the one hand, and those of teachers on the other. He added that the report failed to offer a way for reducing from 16 classes to 12 the administrative burden of a school principal.

Welcome

Mr. Levin welcomed the Committee's recommendation for increasing teachers' salaries in developing areas and border settlements. It was agreed that the Committee acknowledged the principle that salary grades be based on educational qualifications, and not on the category of school in which a teacher works.

He criticized Deputy Education Minister Ami Asaf for allegedly claiming that the teachers had received almost all their demands.

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Chief F. S. Okotie Eboh, Finance Minister of Nigeria, conversing with Finance Minister Levi Eshkol. (Photo: Rubinstein)

Zoning of Taxis Starts Wednesday

TEL AVIV. —

A total of 2,070 taxis will Wednesday be licensed to operate in eight zones while another 361 will ply interurban routes. The Controller of Road Transport, Mr. M. Barr announced here on Sunday.

The new taxi regional regulations come into force on Wednesday. All the cars in each zone will bear distinctive bands of colour. These will be:

North — blue, with 82 taxis; Haifa — red (388); Haifa — khaki (37); the Sharon — green (125); Tel Aviv — violet (1,217); Central — white (77); Jerusalem — white (125); South — brown (11).

Under the new regulations regional taxis will leave their areas only on "special" trips but are forbidden to pick up passengers from their own districts. If returning from such a trip, however, they may call at one of the interurban offices and offer their services. After 7 p.m. all taxis are free to operate anywhere, while on Saturdays the present arrangements will prevail, Mr. Barr said.

Taxis owners who violate the regulations will be charged and will not be able to settle for an automatic fine.

Mr. Barr said that under the present arrangements, taxis were a major cause of traffic bottlenecks, especially in Tel Aviv. Many cars were licensed to work in developing areas, but they promptly transferred to the cities. He believed there was a surplus of taxis in the cities.

It is understood that a number of new joint Israel-Nigerian development projects, now under discussion, will be concluded during Mr. Eshkol's visit to Lagos.

The Prime Minister will leave the Cabinet in the middle of the session and ask the Minister of Justice, Mr. Pinhas Rosen, to preside for the rest of the meeting.

The Cabinet appointed the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, as Acting Prime Minister, Minister of Defense, Foreign Minister and Minister of Education. Mr. Shitrit was appointed as Acting Minister of Posts.

The official communiqué read:

At its weekly session yesterday, the Cabinet:

Decided to postpone the exchange of letters with the Argentine Government,

Received a report from Mr. David Horowitz, the Israeli delegation to Argentina on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of the State of Israel.

Appointed a Ministerial Committee to study the report and the recommendations of the public committee on taxes, rates and working conditions.

It is learned, however, that the issue of import licences by the Turkish authorities has been tightened, and that inquiries have been instituted in Ankara to ascertain the reason for this move. It appears that the Turkish government wishes to check up on some transactions undertaken by the Menderes regime.

Official circles in Jerusalem yesterday expressed the hope that commercial relations with Turkey would continue to expand in the near future.

Mr. Namir disclosed that the same group would also study proposals for financing the City's new bus terminal.

The conclusions of a fact-finding committee set up some time ago to study the final location of the station.

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THE ASSOCIATION for Slaughterhouses and Veterinary Services in the Sharon was founded in Madera on Sunday.

A POSTMARK reading "Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem" will be on the Jerusalem post office from June 16 to July 15.

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WITKOV HEADS PROBE OF LOCAL TAX SYSTEMS

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Jerome A. Witkov has been appointed head of a special committee which will study existing tax systems among local authorities and make recommendations for overhauling and simplifying them, it is learned.

The appointment was made by Mr. Moshe Haim Shapiro, Minister of the Interior.

The committee will study problems of duplication of taxes, the introduction of progressive taxes and rates; and outline plans for a more unified tax system. At present each local authority has its own tax system.

A POSTAL agency will be opened at Givat Ussishkin, Nahariya, on Sunday at the shop of Mr. Perlmutter.

LINK EXPEDITION TO DIVE IN CAESAREA WATERS THIS WEEK

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A 15-man group of American skin-divers arrived here yesterday morning for an underwater archaeological expedition to the ancient port of Caesarea. Led by Mr. Edwin A. Link, retired inventor of the famous "Link Trainer" cockpit for air pilots, they came in his new 164-ton vessel, Sea Diver, which was specially designed and built for the purpose.

The group includes four experienced skin-divers, divers while Mr. and Mrs. Link will join in the diving operations.

Mr. Link said he was anxious to start work as soon as possible, probably before the end of the week. They are to remain here about three months. Prof. Chaim T. Fritch, of the Princeton Theological Seminary, and Dr. I. Bar-David, former Deputy Director of the Israel Antiquities Department and now Professor of Biblical Archaeology at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, will direct the work.

Prof. William F. Albright, Dean of American Biblical Archaeologists, Dr. B. Mazar, President of the Hebrew University, and Dr. Nelson Glueck, are also advising the mission, which is one of the few underwater archaeological teams in the world.

Mr. Link and his wife, both ardent skin-divers, first decided on the venture four years ago, when they came to Caesarea. Since then they have studied the relevant works of history and are well-versed in it. They have prepared a preliminary plan of action and intend to begin work each day at dawn.

Local Volunteers

Mr. Link expects to be joined by eight Israeli volunteers. They will use the aqua-lung and all have experience in diving. The vessel is fitted with the most modern detection and navigation equipment, some of it designed by Mr. Link himself.

THE next Israel Philharmonic Orchestra concert in Jerusalem, scheduled for June 22, will be held in the Binyan Ha'oma auditorium, as originally planned. Mr. Haim Krugman, of the Jerusalem Friends of the LPO, said on Sunday.

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Repair work will be started soon.

FIFTY local council heads

and public figures from the Little Triangle meet in Givatayim on Sunday for a conference devoted to problems of Moslem minorities.

The participants heard lectures and toured the town.

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ment could be reached through direct negotiations, a method which is provided for in the pertinent articles of the U.N. Charter referred to in the Argentine note.

It is agreed that the fact that Mr. Ben-Gurion's letter to President Froudist was submitted after the presentation of the Argentine note, also accounted for the decision not to dispatch the Israeli reply, pending further development.

The Minister without Portfolio, Mr. Abba Eban, reported to the Cabinet on his recent visit to Argentina and on his meetings with President Froudist and other Government leaders. He expressed his belief that the friendship between the two countries is deeply rooted, and could be maintained and even increased as soon as the present dispute was solved.

Several Ministers raised the question of continued press reports on the police investigation.

Nigeria hopes to establish an Embassy in Israel after it attains independence next October, and the foundation of the friendship that has been laid between the two countries is bound to grow, the Nigerian Finance Minister, F. S. Okotie Eboh, said last night in Jerusalem.

He stressed that while the Union and the independent Secondary School Teachers Union Association both opposed the report, this did not offer grounds for comment action. This he said was because the latter group rejected the organizational unity of the teaching profession.

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INDUSTRY FINANCE and COMMERCE

Ministry Rejects IL 6m. Bid To Build New Lydda Airport

By PAUL KOHN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Transport Ministry has rejected a IL 6m. investment offer by a Jewish group to construct a new airport terminal at Lydda and develop the surrounding areas, it was learned yesterday.

The offer, first made two months ago by the group building the Arab hotel near Lydda, was described as "unattractive." The investors wanted a concession to operate the terminal for 35 years.

At a pointed out by Transport Ministry sources that IL 27m. investment offer by the American investors to build the new airport is in the U.S. development programme. Mayor Mordechai Namir told the Council here on Sunday.

During his recent visit to U.S. Mayor Namir and Finance Minister Chairman Ferenc Nagy of the Bank of Israel. During the Cabinet session, it was established beyond any doubt that all these reports had no foundation in fact, the Government Secretary said.

COLLED IN OFFICERS

It is understood that the Minister of Police, Mr. Abba Eban, made it a special point to call in the police Commissioner of Bureau of Investigation of the investigation during the Cabinet session, to verify that such reports were not based on any news leak from the Bureau and did not contain any details of the investigation itself.

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Stevenson Cheers Liberal Hearts

WASHINGTON (O.P.N.S.) — In some middle-class American homes people have been this week to be listening to the belated sound of distant bugles. The hope has surged up in them again that Mr. Adlai Stevenson may be moving in to take command as President, and that he will not, after all, be allowed to slip through the business fingers of U.S. history.

The cause for this renewed alert has been, of course, Mr. Stevenson's announcement that he is willing to run again in the Presidential race. Before that, American liberals were mightily encouraged by his mighty individual reaction to the Summit failure. Calmly, pushing responsible convention aside, he discharged upon the Eisenhower Administration a load of blame second only to that which he reserved for Mr. Khrushchev.

The liberal "New Republic" called what he did "an act of towering decision" without at once leaping forward to any other conclusions. On the other hand, a small but well regarded newspaper on Long Island urged the Democratic Party to nominate Mr. Stevenson for President and Senator John Kennedy as his side. The paper dismisses the contention that because he has failed twice already Mr. Stevenson must surely fail again. "He lost," says the paper, "not because of what he was, but because of what Eisenhower seemed to be."

Wild Applause

Meeting on Tuesday at Miami Beach the American Wool Clothing Workers of America received with polite clapping the declaration of a guest speaker that they would support Kennedy if he were

nominated. But when she added that Stevenson would make "a great President with all the qualities needed to stop 'a drift to disaster'" the applause was wild. In other words, the guarded hopes of U.S. intellectuals have now been amplified by cheers and whistles from the American working class.

The notion that Stevenson and Kennedy — in that order — would form an ideal Democratic combination was talked about before the campaign had begun. It was indeed as the slogan went, "If Stevenson may be his St. George banner speech, Stevenson seemed to have been swept out of a position he had not asked for by Kennedy's triumphant progress through seven primary elections. Even now there are solid liberals who believe the dream ticket is really for them out of it, without further delay, he declares himself a candidate.

To an innocent outsider it may seem that the ex-Governor of Illinois has flatly and sincerely disowned any desire to run. But for this familiar American situation of words laid down in 1884 by General Sherman, when he mistakenly supposed that he was being forced into the nomination, and certainly Mr. Stevenson has not yet made use of it.

In the last resort this new Stevenson candidacy may be judged important, not for its impact it might have on the impact it might have on the Democratic ticket, but for its motive force. Talking to dream ticket supporters, one becomes aware of a growing belief that the nature of the U.S. Presidency has changed, particularly since the Summit failure, and that it now demands a different kind of man. The Day of the National Hero, or of one who simply seems to embody the

main virtues of the Average American, is thought to have gone. What the world needs now, people say, is an American President with an international capacity comparable in its different fields with that of the nuclear scientists and a humanist the scope of whose imagination and sympathy covers the relationships and needs of all peoples.

At the same time, liberals here seem restless about the old-established pattern of U.S. domestic politics. For most, which was at bottom seemed good there is no absolute difference of policy between the Republicans and the Democrats. Each party has comfortably contained its own contradictions. As a result, there has been no real party of protest, no one broad-based movement through which Americans might hope to express what strikes the newcomer as an uncommonly strong sense of social responsibility. The point has been underlined this week by the sad little Socialist Party meeting here to bury the Presidential hopes it already gave to Kennedy in a sense States deliberately chosen for their comprehensive diversity.

Open rivalry between the two could, of course, let in someone of a markedly less uncompromising kind. By striving after the better of two, the liberals might find themselves landed with (from their point of view) the worst of four. Senator Lyndon Johnson is a Democrat who has been underlined this week by the sad little Socialist Party meeting here to bury the Presidential hopes it already gave to Kennedy in a sense States deliberately chosen for their comprehensive diversity.

Fuel of Discontent

In a country where most people are, or hope to be, well off, it is perhaps inevitable that "the engine of social progress" should "run on empty" for a time. Yet everywhere one encounters Americans asking themselves, in less articulate terms: "With the supermarket as our temple and the singing commercial as our litany, are we likely to fire the world with an inspiring vision of America's exalted purpose and inspiring way of life?"

The quotations are, of course, from Mr. Stevenson. He is also the best available intellectual humanist to take over at the White House.

Readers' Letters

ANIMAL WELFARE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir — Further to A.K.'s letter on animal welfare, which appeared in your issue of May 31, I am writing to you in response to Mr. D. Charney in your issue of June 7, the address of the Jerusalem Animal Protection Society is: c/o Touring Club, Tableh. The Animal Hospital does not, so far, belong to, nor is it at present directed by, this society. The Chairman of the Education Committee, who is very active indeed, is Dr. (Miss) Nira Reinhold 39 Rehov Balfour, Tableh.

As I do not belong to the committee of any one of these societies, it might be in order for me to suggest to A.K. that the best way to help us in our work in protecting the animals would be for him to become a life member of one of the Animal Protection Societies in Israel, or of the Society for Animal Welfare in Israel, 38a Sackville St., London W.I.

Yours etc.
DR. A. YUVAL
Jerusalem, June 7.

FALSE NOTE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir — With the decision of the I.P.C. not to sing Shaih's 2nd symphony in its original language, we come to an utterly ridiculous state of confusion. When Kof Yisrael allows itself to broadcast German arias and Lieder, why should the I.P.C. try to be still more *kasher*?

Besides, they do a great service to the form of art to whose sincere and most faithful interpretation they are committed. One can fight against ideas but what is a fight against a language worth?

Yours etc.
WALTER GOLDMANN
Kiryat Yam B. June 4.

KASHRUT ARRANGEMENTS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir — Several weeks ago my wife and I and several of our friends decided to tour the country with luggage. We were worried that the necessities we would be taken to be *kasher*. Imagine our surprise when, upon requesting a certificate of *kashrut* at the first restaurant, I was shown a document, written in Hebrew, which testified to the fact that the poultry products of a certain factory are *kasher*.

When I mentioned the document to the immediate relevance of this document, he replied (slightly surprised to see that I could read it) that the Rabbi of the town is a friend of his, etc. A similar scene took place several times during my trip, and our guide went so far as to assume the grave responsibility of assuring us that the *kasher* restaurants which lacked certificates were 100 per cent *kasher*. Even at Ayelet Ha-shahar, which is self-admit-

tingly a *non-kasher* establishment.

We wish to point out that although our new arrangements have made the general organization of our tours somewhat more difficult, we have done our best to assure appropriate reservations. We trust, therefore, that this problem has been solved by our new arrangements.

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Tel Aviv, June 5.

Yiddish Reappears In Vilna and Soviet Asia



The poster reproduced here has been pasted up in the streets of Vilna, to advertise performances by a Yiddish theatrical company.

By M. SHIRAGA

ONE of the most popular Jewish songs of the thirties was "Mein Shtetle Belz" which expresses longing for the little East European town of your. It was sung from Bucharest to Montreal, with a sigh and sometimes a tear. It has been translated into English and Hebrew among others.

Today the Jewish communities of East Europe's little towns are no more, but the song has come to life again — on the steppes of Soviet Asia, where an itinerant three-man

Jewish company is singing the plaintive melody of "Mein Shtetle Belz" to overflow audiences to new words specially composed by the poet Yaacov Kotler:

My shtetl, don't you know
You're not here in the town
about me? —
My mother tongue, Tidhar,
is strange to you.
Living is hard to a song to it
that you may know, and
remember your mother, is
a new —

... My mother need to sing
to me in my cradle,
to me still, my shtetl, close —

... My mother, don't you know
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The halls are booked days in advance and the song, delivered by Benjamin Kharovsky, is wildly acclaimed.

Thousands of Jews who fled the Nazis during the war were settled in Tashkent, Frunze, Alma Ata and other Central Asian cities. Many of them elected to remain there. Kharovsky reports that all the Yiddish books by Mendele and Peretz that arrived in Frunze lately were sold out within 48 hours and a large supply was immediately ordered from the Moscow publishing house that put them out.

A YIDDISH theatre troupe

A composed of some 50 members was recently formed in Vilna, once East Europe's most important center of Jewish learning and today the capital of Soviet Lithuania, where only a few thousand Jews are left. The company's director is Aaron Luria and the top players are Rivka Davidson, a university student, and Mark Moses, an engineer. Ten thousand spectators have already seen performances by the troupe.

Such has visited Kaunas and other Lithuanian towns as well. On the bill are plays by Sholem Aleichem, Peretz Hirschbein and Moshe Kulbak, a talented Soviet Jewish poet and playwright from Minsk who disappeared during the purges of the thirties.

Today, the people of Soviet Latvia, who are a Jewish choir with 100 members

JEWISH NATIONAL CONSCIOUSNESS

now in the Communist world expresses itself in mysterious ways. One of the recent issues of the Warsaw "Folkstamme" contains an article by an elderly Soviet Jewish writer, Abraham Cohen. The apparent subject is the recent chess champion of the permanent staff.

EGGED play-off between Botwinkiel and Tahl, the new Jewish champion, the new Pushkin Hall in Moscow, he was reminded suddenly how a marvellous poem about chess was written in Hebrew in 1840. The poet was Yaakov Cohen, who was an enthusiastic chess enthusiast, and his poem, "The Duel," was later translated into Russian and published in a special edition in Odessa.

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